

Vermont HB 464 - Appropriations Bill and Vermont Paralegal Organization appointee

On June 12, 2003, the Vermont Legislature sent HB 464 to Vermont's Governor. HB 464 is the Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2004.

Within the bill, Section 49b, creates a Study Committee on Standards for Municipal Land Records, developing guidance for the maintenance of municipal land records. The Committee is to consist of:

- (1) one member of the house appointed by the speaker;
- (2) one member of the senate appointed by the committee on committees;
- (3) the state archivist;
- (4) one member appointed by the governor from department of buildings and general services representing public records division;
- (5) one member selected by the Vermont bar association;
- (6) one member selected by the Vermont Paralegal Association;
- (7) et al.

Basically, this committee is going to review existing practices of recording municipal land records in the state and other jurisdictions with the purpose of modernizing the management of Vermont's municipal land records affecting title to real property.

You can read the entire text of the bill here:

<http://www.leg.state.vt.us/docs/legdoc.cfm?URL=/docs/2004/bills/passed/H-464.HTM>

Congratulations to the Vermont Paralegal Association for this great achievement. Any time paralegals can work with lawmakers and other members of the legal profession and the public, our exposure increases and provides us with a terrific opportunity to educate the bar and the public about the paralegal profession.